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Counsel,

Attached are Rimini's sections of the Joint Discovery Plan.

As discussed on the parties' May 1 meet and confer call, Rimini proposes a staged approach to discovery, consistent with the Court's statements at the April 4, 2019 hearing. If Oracle intends to provide any further additions to this document, Rimini will need at least 24 hours to review and respond before Oracle files it.

If the parties are unable to reach agreement on a discovery plan, Rimini proposes the parties each file their own proposed scheduling order.

Regards,
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Attached is Oracle's proposed Joint Proposed Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order. We are available to meet and confer with you on this next week.

Thanks,
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Counsel,

Attached is a letter responding to Oracle's April 22 letter and the parties' respective positions regarding the upcoming submission of a proposed Joint Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order to the Court.

We look forward to seeing your draft of these documents, but are concerned about the timing raised in your email. We asked that Oracle provide its proposed draft by today, April 24, to allow sufficient time to review, but your email states that Oracle will "do [its] best" to provide the draft by Friday (after previously saying in the April 18 meet and confer that Oracle would provide a draft this week). Please make every effort to provide us your draft as soon as possible. Even if the draft is provided on Friday, that may not allow sufficient time for us to consider it with our client and work through issues with Oracle prior to the May 6 submission deadline, and we may need to seek an extension.

Thank you,
Jenny

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Counsel,

Attached is a letter responding to Rimini's April 17 letter and the parties' ongoing discussion about the upcoming submission to the Court. We will do our best to send you our draft proposed joint

discovery plan and scheduling order this week.

Thank you,
Kathleen

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Counsel,

Thank you for letting us know on the meet and confer call yesterday that Oracle is drafting a proposed joint discovery plan and scheduling order in response to the Court's order. To ensure we have time to review and address any issues in advance of the May 6th deadline for submission, we would appreciate receiving a draft by the 24th.

Thanks,
Jenny

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Thanks for your email, and that time works for us. We can circulate a dial-in; please let us know which counsel we should include for Rimini.

Thanks,
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Counsel,

We are preparing a response to your April 11, 2019 letters, which we will send separately.

We are available to meet and confer the afternoon of April 18 at 2:00 p.m. Please confirm this time works for you.

Thank you,
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DISTRICT OF NEVADA

ORACLE USA, INC.; a Colorado corporation;
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corporation; and ORACLE INTERNATIONAL
CORPORATION, a California corporation,

Plaintiffs,

v.

RIMINI STREET, INC., a Nevada corporation;
and SETH RAVIN, an individual,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:10-CV-0106-LRH-VCF

**JOINT PROPOSED DISCOVERY
PLAN RE: INJUNCTION**

I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Court’s order (ECF No. 1215), Plaintiffs Oracle America, Inc. and Oracle International Corp. (collectively, “Oracle”) and Defendants Rimini Street, Inc. and Seth Ravin (collectively, “Rimini”; all parties collectively, “Parties,” any party, “Party”) submit this Proposed Discovery Plan. The parties met and conferred regarding this discovery plan by written correspondence dated April 11, April 17, April 22, April 24, April 30, and May 3, 2019, and by teleconferences on April 18 and May 1. After meeting and conferring, the parties have fundamental disagreements regarding a proposed discovery plan and schedule. The parties request that the Court set a hearing at its convenience to resolve the parties’ competing proposals. The parties each submit their own Proposed Scheduling Order.

A. Oracle’s Statement

[To be added based on ongoing meet and confer efforts and issues below]

B. Rimini’s Statement

Consistent with this Court’s direction for there to be “stage[d]” discovery, Rimini proposes a reasonable discovery plan that will proceed in two phases. *See* April 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 39:13–14 (“THE COURT: ... I would like to ... try and do this at least in some stages.”). In the first phase, Oracle will conduct “limited discovery” regarding the changes Rimini made to its software support processes after the injunction went into effect on November 5, 2018. *See id.* at 56:9–15 (“I’m going to grant the motion to—for Oracle to take some limited discovery ... I think you should try to structure [the discovery] in a way that, you know, you get the lay of the land without trying to get all the discovery you would possibly need in order to have a contempt hearing, just, you know, do some scouting.”). After that initial “scouting” discovery (Phase 1), if Oracle believes Rimini’s post-injunction processes violate the injunction, Oracle should come forward with specific allegations regarding what conduct, if any, is alleged to be contumacious—something it has refused to do to date. In that event, discovery may proceed to Phase 2, in which the parties can take more targeted discovery based on the specific conduct Oracle accuses as contumacious. This phased approach faithfully follows the Court’s order permitting Oracle “limited discovery” to get the “lay of the land” and “do some scouting,” provides an orderly way

1 in which to proceed, and balances the need for focused discovery with the burden of irrelevant
2 and overly broad discovery.

3 This proceeding is unusual in that Oracle has not come forward with any specific
4 accusations of any ongoing conduct by Rimini that purportedly violates the injunction. Typically,
5 before engaging in contempt discovery, a complaining party sets forth its allegations regarding
6 alleged contumacious conduct, which define the scope of discovery and any subsequent contempt
7 hearing. *See Rutherford v. Baca*, 2009 WL 10653011, at *3 (C.D. Cal. Aug. 4, 2009) (limiting
8 new discovery “to the issues identified in Plaintiffs’ motion”); *nCube Corp. v. Seachange Int’l*
9 *Inc.*, 2010 WL 2266335, at *3 (D. Del. June 4, 2010) (granting “discovery on the contentions
10 alleged in the Contempt Motion”). Despite repeated requests by Rimini, Oracle has refused to
11 identify any specific conduct by Rimini that it claims is contumacious. Thus, unlike a typical
12 contempt proceeding in which specific allegations are set forth first, discovery is conducted, and
13 then an evidentiary hearing is held, here, Oracle has not identified any conduct that it contends
14 might violate the injunction, and instead proposes that it engage in broad discovery to identify a
15 factual basis for contempt—and only then, *after discovery is over*, will Oracle identify its
16 allegations to Rimini.

17 Oracle claims that it cannot make any specific accusations at this time because it does not
18 know how Rimini’s processes changed after the injunction took effect. But that is exactly why
19 phased discovery makes sense, as the Court recognized during the April 4 hearing—Oracle
20 should first obtain limited discovery into Rimini’s post-injunction processes, and if, after that, it
21 has specific accusations to make, the parties can proceed accordingly. At the hearing, the Court
22 directed that the parties initially engage in “limited” discovery so that Oracle could discover the
23 changes to Rimini’s processes after the injunction went into effect on November 5, 2018. Apr. 4,
24 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 56:9–15. The Court explained that the parties should not seek “all the discovery
25 you would possibly need in order to have a contempt hearing,” (*id.* at 56:14–15), but instead
26 should “do some scouting” to “get a lay of the land” (*id.* at 56:13–15). The Court encouraged the
27 parties to use less burdensome sampling where possible. *Id.* at 56:16–18. The Court denied
28 Oracle’s proposed interrogatories, stating “[w]e’ll hold off on the interrogatories except [one

1 interrogatory regarding a list of Rimini's post-injunction updates].” *Id.* at 53:7–8. The Court also
2 severely limited the scope of burdensome Requests for Production that Oracle had proposed,
3 again, consistent with the Court's message that discovery should begin with some less
4 burdensome “scouting.” *Id.* at 39:12–17; 42:24–43:2; 44:19–20; 46:5–14; 56:15.

5 Rimini's phased discovery proposal follows the Court's direction and solves the problem
6 of Oracle supposedly not having the discovery it needs to bring specific contempt allegations. In
7 Phase 1, Oracle can learn what Rimini changed post-injunction. That should end the matter, as
8 Rimini believes it is in compliance with the injunction. If Oracle disagrees with Rimini, however,
9 Oracle will be in a position to identify specific conduct that it alleges is contumacious and any
10 such allegations that can narrowly tailor the scope of further discovery. Rimini's proposal has the
11 following advantages.

12 **First**, Rimini's proposal follows the Court's guidance at the April 4 hearing by starting
13 with less burdensome “scouting” discovery. Oracle's proposal ignores the Court's guidance and
14 proposes that all discovery be done at once on a significantly compressed schedule. For example,
15 Oracle proposes that expert discovery—which took over 6 months and involved the analysis of
16 more than 8 terabytes of data in *Rimini II*—be conducted in 2 weeks.¹ Oracle's proposal also
17 ignores other aspects of the Court's ruling. For example, the Court stated that interrogatories
18 (with the exception of one) were not warranted at this stage, yet Oracle proposes that Rimini
19 should respond to 12 interrogatories in a 3-month period—half as many as the parties answered in
20 **3 years** of discovery in *Rimini II*.

21 **Second**, Rimini's staged approach allows Rimini to understand Oracle's claims and
22 Oracle to understand Rimini's post-injunction processes before engaging in the most burdensome
23 discovery. The parties can tailor their discovery plan to what Oracle actually accuses, after
24 obtaining initial discovery on Rimini's post-injunction processes.

25 **Third**, Oracle has repeatedly signaled that it will claim that conduct never adjudicated in
26 *Rimini I* can form the basis of a violation of the injunction in *Rimini I*. See ECF No. 1209 at 7–9;

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28 ¹ Indeed, in *Rimini II*, it took several weeks for Rimini's experts just to *load* the unprecedented volume of data
produced by one of Oracle's technical experts so that analysis could even begin.

1 *see also, e.g.*, ECF No. 1201-8 at 2 (Oracle asking Rimini to confirm that Rimini had stopped
2 using tools and practices never adjudicated in *Rimini I*); ECF No. 1201-10 (Oracle ignoring
3 Rimini’s request that Oracle explain when and where in *Rimini I* the challenged support practices
4 were actually litigated). Oracle’s approach is contrary to black-letter law. *See Price v. City of*
5 *Stockton*, 390 F.3d 1105, 1117 (9th Cir. 2004) (an injunction must be “narrowly tailored ... to
6 remedy *only the specific harms shown by the plaintiffs*”) (emphasis added); *Mulcahy v. Cheetah*
7 *Learning LLC*, 386 F.3d 849, 852 & n.1 (8th Cir. 2004) (vacating provision of injunction
8 covering “course materials that were not before the court”); *Nimmer on Copyright*,
9 § 14.06[C][1][a] (“[T]he scope of the injunction should be coterminous with the infringement.”);
10 *see also TiVo Inc. v. EchoStar Corp.*, 646 F.3d 869, 890 (Fed. Cir. 2011) (finding an injunction
11 cannot be enforced when the new conduct is “more than colorably different” from the adjudicated
12 process). Further, Oracle argued to this Court repeatedly that Rimini’s revised processes were
13 “irrelevant” to *Rimini I* and successfully convinced the Court to keep those processes out of a
14 *Rimini I* trial where they could be adjudicated by a jury. *See, e.g.*, ECF No. 646 at 5 (Oracle
15 stating that “[t]he legality of the new 2014 model will be the subject of Rimini’s new lawsuit
16 [*Rimini II*] ... and therefore any evidence related to the 2014 support model is *irrelevant to any*
17 *liability issue at trial [in Rimini I].*” (emphasis added)); *id.* at 1 (Oracle arguing that all “evidence
18 and argument relating to Rimini’s alleged new support model” should be “exclude[d]” from
19 *Rimini I*; “*the legality of that purported model will be determined*” in *Rimini II*) (emphasis
20 added)). Having done that, Oracle should now be estopped from arguing that any of those
21 processes violate a *Rimini I* injunction. A staged discovery approach will allow the Court to
22 schedule motion practice to address these threshold legal issues (if they arise, depending on what,
23 if anything, Oracle accuses) before engaging in potentially needless and burdensome discovery.

24 Rimini proposes that the Court implement a reasonable, phased discovery approach as set
25 forth in more detail in Section III, *infra*. Rimini further respectfully requests that the Court hold a
26 hearing at its convenience to resolve Rimini’s and Oracle’s competing discovery plans.

27 **II. STIPULATED FACTS**

28 During the April 4, 2019 hearing, the Court encouraged the Parties to meet and confer

1 regarding the possibility of streamlining discovery through a set of stipulated facts (which the
2 Court recognized could “save a lot of time and money”) and to then “report back” to the Court.
3 April 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 31:9–13, 32:6–9, 56:19–24, 57:12–24. Rimini reserves and maintains its
4 objections to the extent that the stipulated facts address processes that were not litigated in *Rimini*

5 I. Based on the parties’ meet and confer, they have stipulated to the following facts:

- 6 1. Some Rimini clients may have hosted, or continue to host, their Oracle software in
7 cloud locations controlled by those clients after the injunction went into effect.
8 2. [REDACTED]
9 3. Since the injunction went into effect, Rimini has remotely accessed PeopleSoft
10 software hosted on client systems associated with its PeopleSoft clients.

11 **A. Oracle’s Statement**

12 [To be added depending on what facts Rimini stipulates to] [NOTE FROM RIMINI TO
13 ORACLE: We do not understand the need for “Statements” in this section. If Oracle includes a
14 statement, we require at least 24 hours to consider it and make a responsive statement if
15 necessary.]

16 **B. Rimini’s Statement**

17 [To be added by Rimini]

18 **III. DISCOVERY PLAN**

19 **A. Oracle’s Statement**

20 [To be added by Oracle after Rimini includes its proposal above]

Type of Discovery	Oracle Proposal
Requests for production	20
Requests for inspection	5
Interrogatories	12
Depositions (fact witnesses)	5
Depositions (non-party)	5
Requests for admission	35
Third-party subpoenas	10

Type of Discovery	Oracle Proposal
Deadline to serve first round of written discovery	May 6, 2019
Deadline to complete production of documents in response to first round of document requests	June 24, 2019
Deadline to serve final written discovery	July 8, 2019
Close of fact discovery	August 27, 2019
Expert disclosures	September 4, 2019
Close of expert discovery	September 18, 2019
Deadline to file motion for order to show cause/contempt motion	September 30, 2019

B. Rimini's Statement

At the April 4 hearing, the Court ruled that the parties should develop a Joint Discovery Plan that takes discovery in phases. In the first phase, the Court directed that Oracle could take some "limited discovery" to "get the lay of the land without trying to get all the discovery [Oracle] would possibly need in order to have a contempt hearing, just, you know, *do some scouting.*" Apr. 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 56:9–15 (emphasis added); *see also id.* at 39:13–14 ("THE COURT: ... I would like to ... try and do this at least in some stages."). Then Oracle may file a motion requesting leave to proceed with specific additional discovery. *Id.* at 61:4–6 ("THE COURT: ... you can do some discovery, and if you need something else, just file a motion."); *id.* at 39:15–17 ("THE COURT: ... If actually you do this first discovery and you find something that you think deserves to go deeper, then we can talk about it.").

Following this guidance, and in light of the particular posture of this case, Rimini respectfully submits that rather than entering an order that permits Oracle to serve a set number of discovery requests, without specifying what information those requests will seek, the Court should set a schedule that takes into account Oracle's claim to need some "narrowly tailored,"

1 “target[ed]” discovery into Rimini’s processes after November 5, 2018 (*id.* at 21:6–11), to test
2 Rimini’s compliance with the injunction, while reserving more burdensome discovery until
3 Oracle can make a showing that the additional discovery is warranted. Rimini proposes that the
4 parties pursue the following phased discovery approach.

5 **Phase 1: Limited “Scouting” Discovery Regarding Rimini’s Post-Injunction**

6 **Changes to Processes**

7 In the first phase, Rimini would respond to the following preliminary discovery regarding
8 post-injunction conduct:

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- 10 • A request for production of non-privileged documents sufficient to show the
11 changes to Rimini’s support processes for PeopleSoft and JD Edwards made in
12 response to the injunction;
 - 13 • A request for production of non-privileged policies or memoranda that Rimini
14 created in response to the injunction regarding Rimini’s support practices for
15 PeopleSoft and JD Edwards;
 - 16 • A request for production of AFW records stored in the AFW database that reflect
17 what “has changed after the date of the injunction” (*id.* at 42:18–19), to the extent
18 it is technically feasible to do so, which Rimini is investigating (and if it is not,
19 Rimini will meet and confer with Oracle to develop a reasonable solution);
 - 20 • An interrogatory seeking a list of updates to PeopleSoft and JD Edwards software
21 that Rimini developed after November 5, 2018, identifying the updates, the related
22 product lines, and the clients to which Rimini distributed the updates; and
 - 23 • An interrogatory seeking a list of Rimini’s clients that, for the period after
24 November 5, 2018, have chosen to host their Oracle software in the cloud, to the
25 extent Rimini is able to obtain this information from Remote Access Documents or
26 Statements of Work for its clients.

26 In Phase 1, after production of documents and information responsive to the above
27 requests, Rimini would make a deponent available for a half-day Rule 30(b)(6) deposition
28 concerning any changes Rimini made to its PeopleSoft support processes in response to the

1 injunction.

2 Consistent with the Court’s ruling at the April 4 hearing, Rimini does not believe that
3 interrogatories are warranted at this time, except for the two interrogatories listed above. *See id.*
4 53:7–11 (“THE COURT: ... We’ll hold off on the interrogatories.”). Likewise, consistent with
5 the Court’s guidance, Rimini believes that permitting Oracle access to Rimini’s online resources,
6 such as DevTrack, is premature, and should be addressed during a later phase of discovery (if
7 necessary). *See id.* at 44:3–4 (the Court, referring to Rimini’s online resources: “We can do that
8 during the second part.”).

9 At the conclusion of Phase 1, if Oracle believes it can make a showing that further
10 discovery is necessary into specific conduct that it identifies as having been adjudicated in *Rimini*
11 *I* and is allegedly contumacious, Oracle should file a motion for further discovery. *See id.* at
12 61:4–6 (“THE COURT: ... you can do some discovery, and if you need something else, just file a
13 motion.”); *id.* at 39:15–17 (“THE COURT: ... If actually you do this first discovery and you find
14 something that you think deserves to go deeper, then we can talk about it.”). Rimini proposes that
15 after completion of briefing on Oracle’s motion for further discovery, the Court hold a hearing to
16 determine whether there is good cause for more extensive discovery targeted to Oracle’s specific
17 accusations, and, if so, to set a schedule for this discovery and any necessary motion practice.

18 **Phase 2: Further Targeted Discovery (Good Cause Showing)**

19 Following Phase 1, Oracle should identify the specific conduct it alleges is contumacious
20 (if any), and the Court should hold a hearing on Oracle’s motion for further discovery to decide
21 whether additional discovery is warranted and, if so, to determine an appropriate discovery
22 schedule. If the Court determines that Oracle has shown good cause to conduct further discovery,
23 the parties can then proceed to Phase 2 and engage in more extensive discovery targeted to
24 Oracle’s specific allegations. Today, without knowing what specific conduct Oracle contends (or
25 will contend) is contumacious, or whether the discovery Rimini will provide in Phase 1 will
26 suffice to provide Oracle with the information it needs to test Rimini’s compliance with the
27 injunction, Rimini is unable to provide a more detailed schedule.

28 As the Court understood at the April 4 hearing, phased discovery is the most efficient way

1 for the parties to proceed. It orients discovery around potentially dispositive issues and avoids
2 unnecessary (and disproportionate) expenditure of resources in the event Oracle is unable to
3 proffer a showing of contumacious conduct. Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(a)(2)(A) advisory committee’s
4 note (“[C]ounsel have a professional obligation to develop a mutual cost-effective plan for
5 discovery”); Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) advisory committee’s note (“[I]t is desirable that the parties’
6 proposals regarding discovery ... discuss how discovery can be conducted most efficiently and
7 economically.”).

8 Rimini’s approach is also fairer to the parties. Without knowing what conduct Oracle
9 contends is contumacious, Rimini is unable to pursue its own discovery to rebut those claims,
10 including preparing expert witnesses. In this phased approach, Rimini’s own discovery (if
11 necessary) would come in Phase 2, after Oracle has articulated its accusations.

12 Oracle’s approach—which does not involve phasing—is inefficient and burdensome. The
13 discovery Oracle proposes herein, which simply lists the numbers of discovery requests,
14 depositions, and subpoenas that Oracle seeks to serve, is not “limited” or “narrowly tailored” in
15 any meaningful way. It is on par with allowing plaintiff discovery before the complaint is even
16 filed, precluding the defendant from having a fair and reasonable understanding of the claims
17 alleged against it. It also provides no procedure for informing Rimini of the processes
18 (adjudicated in *Rimini I*) that Oracle contends are contumacious.

19 Further, Oracle’s proposed expert discovery is inefficient and unworkable. Expert
20 discovery is not necessary (or even appropriate) until after Oracle specifically accuses the conduct
21 that is alleges to be contumacious. In addition, even if expert discovery were warranted at this
22 time, Oracle’s proposal is unworkable because it envisions the *simultaneous* exchange of expert
23 reports *before Oracle specifically accuses any conduct*, without any opportunity for Rimini to
24 serve a rebuttal expert report. It would be impossible for Rimini to file an expert report
25 simultaneous with Oracle’s expert report because Rimini would not know what issues to address,
26 or even what expert to retain. Moreover, expert discovery on Oracle’s schedule is impractically
27 compressed. Oracle allows just 3 weeks for expert reports and depositions under its schedule, but
28 expert discovery in *Rimini II*, for example, took over 6 months.

Finally, Oracle's proposal includes twelve interrogatories, in contravention of the Court's ruling that the parties should refrain from serving interrogatories (with the exception of one related to a list of Rimini's updates) at this time. *See id.* 53:7–11 ("THE COURT: ... We'll hold off on the interrogatories.").

Rimini's Proposed Discovery Schedule

Discovery Event	Date
Phase 1 Discovery begins	Upon Court's adoption of a discovery plan and issuance of a scheduling order
Deadline for Oracle to serve three document requests and two interrogatories (described <i>supra</i>)	30 days after Court's adoption of a discovery plan and issuance of a scheduling order
Deadline to complete production of documents in response to first round of document requests	60 days after service of written discovery
Close of Phase 1 Discovery	45 days after production of documents and responses to interrogatories
Deadline for Oracle to file Motion for Further Discovery, specifically identifying the acts it accuses of being contumacious, if any	15 days after close of Phase 1 Discovery
Hearing on Oracle's Motion for Further Discovery (if Motion granted, schedule provided for Phase 2 Discovery)	A date acceptable to the Court in approximately late September or early October 2019
Close of Phase 2 Discovery	To be set at Hearing on Oracle's Motion for Further Discovery (if Motion granted)
Motion for Order to Show Cause / Contempt Motion (if any)	To be set after close of Phase 2 Discovery

1 **IV. OTHER DISCOVERY ISSUES**

2 **A. Oracle's Statement**

3 To enable the Parties to complete discovery in a timely fashion and permit the Court to
4 efficiently resolve disputes on an ongoing basis, Oracle proposes that:

5 (1) the response time for written discovery requests is 21 days;

6 (2) the Court schedule periodic case management conferences at least every month to
7 address any outstanding discovery disputes, with a joint submission in advance identifying any
8 issues in dispute, similar to what Magistrate Judge Leen required in connection with the prior
9 discovery efforts (ECF No. 93);

10 (3) the Court permit the parties to jointly submit brief memoranda summarizing any
11 disputes prior to filing a motion to compel, to enable the Court to consider the positions and
12 provide feedback before proceeding with full briefing, similar to what Magistrate Judge Hoffman
13 required in the *Rimini II* litigation (*Rimini II*, ECF No. 372); and

14 (4) Oracle be permitted to file more than one order to show cause in the event Oracle
15 raises multiple issues and some issues become ripe for briefing earlier than others based on any
16 stipulated facts or early discovery.

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18 **1. Oracle's Statement of Reasons For Deviation From LR 26-1(b)**

19 Local Rule 26-1(a) provides that parties submit a statement of reasons why longer or
20 different time periods should apply to the case if proposing any deviations from Local Rule 26-
21 1(b). Oracle's proposal, set out in Section II and Section III, differs from the schedule outlined in
22 Local Rule 26-1(b) because this discovery is post-trial discovery in support of the Court's
23 permanent injunction, ECF No. 1166.

24 **B. Rimini's Statement**

25 Oracle's proposals to modify the Federal and Local Rules related to discovery is
26 unwarranted. Rimini responds to each proposal in detail below.

27 *First*, Oracle's request for a 21-day response period for discovery is unworkable. The
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1 Federal Rules grant 30 days for good reason, and parties are often required to seek extensions,
2 even in less complicated cases. *See generally* Rule 33 Notes of Advisory Committee on Rules –
3 1970 Amendment (explaining that it was necessary to extend the time to respond to 30 days for
4 interrogatories because the then-current deadline of 15 days for answers was “too short” and data
5 showed that “tardy response to interrogatories is common, virtually expected”). Here, in a highly
6 technical case that involves complex technical discovery, a 21-day deadline will almost certainly
7 lead to regular requests for extensions. The discovery history in *Rimini II* only underscores this
8 point—in that case, both sides routinely sought extensions for answering written discovery due to
9 the complexity of the underlying subject matter. Oracle apparently now intends to seek in *Rimini*
10 *I* technical discovery on the same issues and processes discovered in *Rimini II*. As a result, a 21-
11 day deadline is untenable.

12 **Second**, Rimini believes that burdening the Court and the parties with monthly status
13 conferences is unnecessary in this case. The parties went through a significant portion of *Rimini*
14 *II*—which involved 3 years of discovery, over a thousand written discovery requests, and more
15 than 100 depositions—without regular conferences. Given that *Rimini I* will involve significantly
16 narrower discovery, the parties should be able to adhere to the standard process for resolving
17 disputes as they did in *Rimini II*. Moreover, Rimini’s proposed discovery plan builds in hearings
18 at the close of Phase 1 Discovery, and (if necessary) Phase 2 Discovery.

19 **Third**, there is no cause for altering the Local Rules to require the filing of letter briefs
20 before the parties can file motions for protective orders or to compel. While that process was
21 eventually implemented in *Rimini II*, as noted, that case involved a much broader scope of
22 discovery than is envisioned here. Here, all the Court has ordered is “limited” discovery for the
23 purpose of “scouting.” April 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 56:9–15. The process established by the Local
24 Rules is adequate for handling any disputes that may arise during this targeted discovery.

25 **Fourth**, Oracle should not be permitted to bring serial motions for contempt. This Court
26 has already ordered that this Joint Discovery Plan should include a deadline for “a contempt
27 motion,” not multiple motions. *Id.* at 60:17–18. Nor is there any reason that Oracle cannot
28 include all its allegations in a single motion. Oracle’s apparent concern that it may have some

1 evidence early on, and additional evidence later, is all the more reason for the Court to enforce the
2 phased approach discussed during the hearing and proposed by Rimini. Oracle should take the
3 initial, “scouting” discovery ordered by this Court first and determine what conduct by Rimini (if
4 any) it believes is contumacious. Then, assuming the Court grants further discovery on those
5 issues, Oracle can take the discovery it needs, and bring a single motion for contempt when that
6 discovery is complete. This is an efficient way of structuring the contempt process that both
7 respects the Court’s time and conserves resources for all parties.

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UNITED STATE DISTRICT COURT
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ORACLE USA, INC.; a Colorado corporation;
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v.

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and SETH RAVIN, an individual,

Defendants.

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**[PROPOSED] SCHEDULING
ORDER REGARDING INJUNCTION
COMPLIANCE**

[PROPOSED] ORDER

Pending before this Court is the Stipulated Discovery Plan and Proposed Scheduling Order submitted by Plaintiffs Oracle America, Inc. and Oracle International Corp. (collectively, “Oracle”) and Defendants Rimini Street, Inc. and Seth Ravin.

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**JOINT PROPOSED DISCOVERY
PLAN ~~AND SCHEDULING ORDER~~
~~REGARDING~~ RE: INJUNCTION
COMPLIANCE**

1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 Pursuant to the Court’s order (ECF No. 1215), Plaintiffs Oracle America, Inc. and Oracle
3 International Corp. (collectively, “Oracle”) and Defendants Rimini Street, Inc. and Seth Ravin
4 (collectively, “Rimini”; all parties collectively, “Parties,” any party, “Party”) submit this
5 Proposed Discovery Plan ~~and~~. The parties met and conferred regarding this discovery plan by
6 written correspondence dated April 11, April 17, April 22, April 24, April 30, and May 3, 2019,
7 and by teleconferences on April 18 and May 1. After meeting and conferring, the parties have
8 fundamental disagreements regarding a proposed discovery plan and schedule. The parties
9 request that the Court set a hearing at its convenience to resolve the parties’ competing proposals.
10 The parties each submit their own Proposed Scheduling Order. ~~All proposals are joint except~~
11 ~~where indicated.~~

12 **A. Oracle’s Statement**

13 [To be added based on ongoing meet and confer efforts and issues below]

14 **B. Rimini’s Statement**

15 ~~[To be added by Rimini]~~

16 Consistent with this Court’s direction for there to be “stage[d]” discovery, Rimini
17 proposes a reasonable discovery plan that will proceed in two phases. See April 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr.
18 at 39:13–14 (“THE COURT: ... I would like to ... try and do this at least in some stages.”). In
19 the first phase, Oracle will conduct “limited discovery” regarding the changes Rimini made to its
20 software support processes after the injunction went into effect on November 5, 2018. See id. at
21 56:9–15 (“I’m going to grant the motion to—for Oracle to take some limited discovery ... I think
22 you should try to structure [the discovery] in a way that, you know, you get the lay of the land
23 without trying to get all the discovery you would possibly need in order to have a contempt
24 hearing, just, you know, do some scouting.”). After that initial “scouting” discovery (Phase 1), if
25 Oracle believes Rimini’s post-injunction processes violate the injunction, Oracle should come
26 forward with specific allegations regarding what conduct, if any, is alleged to be
27 contumacious—something it has refused to do to date. In that event, discovery may proceed to
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1 Phase 2, in which the parties can take more targeted discovery based on the specific conduct
2 Oracle accuses as contumacious. This phased approach faithfully follows the Court’s order
3 permitting Oracle “limited discovery” to get the “lay of the land” and “do some scouting,”
4 provides an orderly way in which to proceed, and balances the need for focused discovery with
5 the burden of irrelevant and overly broad discovery.

6 This proceeding is unusual in that Oracle has not come forward with any specific
7 accusations of any ongoing conduct by Rimini that purportedly violates the injunction. Typically,
8 before engaging in contempt discovery, a complaining party sets forth its allegations regarding
9 alleged contumacious conduct, which define the scope of discovery and any subsequent contempt
10 hearing. See *Rutherford v. Baca*, 2009 WL 10653011, at *3 (C.D. Cal. Aug. 4, 2009) (limiting
11 new discovery “to the issues identified in Plaintiffs’ motion”); *nCube Corp. v. Seachange Int’l*
12 *Inc.*, 2010 WL 2266335, at *3 (D. Del. June 4, 2010) (granting “discovery on the contentions
13 alleged in the Contempt Motion”). Despite repeated requests by Rimini, Oracle has refused to
14 identify any specific conduct by Rimini that it claims is contumacious. Thus, unlike a typical
15 contempt proceeding in which specific allegations are set forth first, discovery is conducted, and
16 then an evidentiary hearing is held, here, Oracle has not identified any conduct that it contends
17 might violate the injunction, and instead proposes that it engage in broad discovery to identify a
18 factual basis for contempt—and only then, *after discovery is over*, will Oracle identify its
19 allegations to Rimini.

20 Oracle claims that it cannot make any specific accusations at this time because it does not
21 know how Rimini’s processes changed after the injunction took effect. But that is exactly why
22 phased discovery makes sense, as the Court recognized during the April 4 hearing—Oracle
23 should first obtain limited discovery into Rimini’s post-injunction processes, and if, after that, it
24 has specific accusations to make, the parties can proceed accordingly. At the hearing, the Court
25 directed that the parties initially engage in “limited” discovery so that Oracle could discover the
26 changes to Rimini’s processes after the injunction went into effect on November 5, 2018. Apr. 4,
27 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 56:9–15. The Court explained that the parties should not seek “all the discovery
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1 you would possibly need in order to have a contempt hearing,” (*id.* at 56:14–15), but instead
2 should “do some scouting” to “get a lay of the land” (*id.* at 56:13–15). The Court encouraged the
3 parties to use less burdensome sampling where possible. *Id.* at 56:16–18. The Court denied
4 Oracle’s proposed interrogatories, stating “[w]e’ll hold off on the interrogatories except [one
5 interrogatory regarding a list of Rimini’s post-injunction updates].” *Id.* at 53:7–8. The Court also
6 severely limited the scope of burdensome Requests for Production that Oracle had proposed,
7 again, consistent with the Court’s message that discovery should begin with some less
8 burdensome “scouting.” *Id.* at 39:12–17; 42:24–43:2; 44:19–20; 46:5–14; 56:15.

9 Rimini’s phased discovery proposal follows the Court’s direction and solves the problem
10 of Oracle supposedly not having the discovery it needs to bring specific contempt allegations. In
11 Phase 1, Oracle can learn what Rimini changed post-injunction. That should end the matter, as
12 Rimini believes it is in compliance with the injunction. If Oracle disagrees with Rimini,
13 however, Oracle will be in a position to identify specific conduct that it alleges is contumacious
14 and any such allegations that can narrowly tailor the scope of further discovery. Rimini’s
15 proposal has the following advantages.

16 **First,** Rimini’s proposal follows the Court’s guidance at the April 4 hearing by starting
17 with less burdensome “scouting” discovery. Oracle’s proposal ignores the Court’s guidance and
18 proposes that all discovery be done at once on a significantly compressed schedule. For example,
19 Oracle proposes that expert discovery—which took over 6 months and involved the analysis of
20 more than 8 terabytes of data in *Rimini II*—be conducted in 2 weeks.¹ Oracle’s proposal also
21 ignores other aspects of the Court’s ruling. For example, the Court stated that interrogatories
22 (with the exception of one) were not warranted at this stage, yet Oracle proposes that Rimini
23 should respond to 12 interrogatories in a 3-month period—half as many as the parties answered in
24 3 years of discovery in *Rimini II*.

25 **Second,** Rimini’s staged approach allows Rimini to understand Oracle’s claims and
26 Oracle to understand Rimini’s post-injunction processes before engaging in the most burdensome
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28 ¹ Indeed, in *Rimini II*, it took several weeks for Rimini’s experts just to *load* the unprecedented volume of data
produced by one of Oracle’s technical experts so that analysis could even begin.

1 discovery. The parties can tailor their discovery plan to what Oracle actually accuses, after
2 obtaining initial discovery on Rimini's post-injunction processes.

3 *Third*, Oracle has repeatedly signaled that it will claim that conduct never adjudicated in
4 *Rimini I* can form the basis of a violation of the injunction in *Rimini I*. See ECF No. 1209 at 7–9;
5 see also, e.g., ECF No. 1201-8 at 2 (Oracle asking Rimini to confirm that Rimini had stopped
6 using tools and practices never adjudicated in *Rimini I*); ECF No. 1201-10 (Oracle ignoring
7 Rimini's request that Oracle explain when and where in *Rimini I* the challenged support practices
8 were actually litigated). Oracle's approach is contrary to black-letter law. See *Price v. City of*
9 *Stockton*, 390 F.3d 1105, 1117 (9th Cir. 2004) (an injunction must be "narrowly tailored ... to
10 remedy only the specific harms shown by the plaintiffs") (emphasis added); *Mulcahy v. Cheetah*
11 *Learning LLC*, 386 F.3d 849, 852 & n.1 (8th Cir. 2004) (vacating provision of injunction
12 covering "course materials that were not before the court"); *Nimmer on Copyright*, §
13 14.06[C][1][a] ("[T]he scope of the injunction should be coterminous with the infringement.");
14 see also *TiVo Inc. v. EchoStar Corp.*, 646 F.3d 869, 890 (Fed. Cir. 2011) (finding an injunction
15 cannot be enforced when the new conduct is "more than colorably different" from the adjudicated
16 process). Further, Oracle argued to this Court repeatedly that Rimini's revised processes were
17 "irrelevant" to *Rimini I* and successfully convinced the Court to keep those processes out of a
18 *Rimini I* trial where they could be adjudicated by a jury. See, e.g., ECF No. 646 at 5 (Oracle
19 stating that "[t]he legality of the new 2014 model will be the subject of Rimini's new lawsuit
20 [*Rimini II*] ... and therefore any evidence related to the 2014 support model is *irrelevant to any*
21 *liability issue at trial* [in *Rimini I*]." (emphasis added)); *id.* at 1 (Oracle arguing that all "evidence
22 and argument relating to Rimini's alleged new support model" should be "exclude[d]" from
23 *Rimini I*; "the legality of that purported model will be determined" in *Rimini II*) (emphasis
24 added)). Having done that, Oracle should now be estopped from arguing that any of those
25 processes violate a *Rimini I* injunction. A staged discovery approach will allow the Court to
26 schedule motion practice to address these threshold legal issues (if they arise, depending on what,
27 if anything, Oracle accuses) before engaging in potentially needless and burdensome discovery.
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Rimini proposes that the Court implement a reasonable, phased discovery approach as set forth in more detail in Section III, *infra*. Rimini further respectfully requests that the Court hold a hearing at its convenience to resolve Rimini's and Oracle's competing discovery plans.

II. STIPULATED FACTS

During the April 4, 2019 hearing, the Court encouraged the Parties to meet and confer regarding the possibility of streamlining discovery through a set of stipulated facts (which the Court recognized could "save a lot of time and money") and to then "report back" to the Court. April 4, 2019 ~~Hearing~~Hrg. Tr. at 31:9-13, 32:6-9, 56:19-24, 57:12-24, 24, 57:12-24. Rimini reserves and maintains its objections to the extent that the stipulated facts address processes that were not litigated in *Rimini I*. Based on the parties' meet and confer, they have stipulated to the following facts:

~~[List of stipulated facts to be added based on ongoing meet and confer discussions]~~

1. Some Rimini clients may have hosted, or continue to host, their Oracle software in cloud locations controlled by those clients after the injunction went into effect.

2. [REDACTED]

3. Since the injunction went into effect, Rimini has remotely accessed PeopleSoft software hosted on client systems associated with its PeopleSoft clients.

A. ~~B.~~ Oracle's Statement

[To be added depending on what facts Rimini stipulates to] [NOTE FROM RIMINI TO ORACLE: We do not understand the need for "Statements" in this section. If Oracle includes a statement, we require at least 24 hours to consider it and make a responsive statement if necessary.]

B. Rimini's Statement

[To be added by Rimini]

III. DISCOVERY PLAN

A. Oracle's Statement

[To be added by Oracle after Rimini includes its proposal above]

Type of Discovery	Oracle Proposal	Rimini Proposal
Requests for production	20	
Requests for inspection	5	
Interrogatories	12	
Depositions (fact witnesses)	5	
Depositions (non-party)	5	
Requests for admission	35	
Third-party subpoenas	10	
<u>Deadline to serve first round of written discovery</u>	<u>May 6, 2019</u>	
<u>Deadline to complete production of documents in response to first round of document requests</u>	<u>June 24, 2019</u>	
<u>Deadline to serve final written discovery</u>	<u>July 8, 2019</u>	
<u>Close of fact discovery</u>	<u>August 27, 2019</u>	
<u>Expert disclosures</u>	<u>September 4, 2019</u>	
<u>Close of expert discovery</u>	<u>September 18, 2019</u>	
<u>Deadline to file motion for order to show cause/contempt motion</u>	<u>September 30, 2019</u>	

A. — Oracle's Statement

[To be added by Oracle after Rimini includes its proposal above]

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B. Rimini's Statement

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IV. — DISCOVERY SCHEDULE

At the April 4 hearing, the Court ruled that the parties should develop a Joint Discovery Plan that takes discovery in phases. In the first phase, the Court directed that Oracle could take some "limited discovery" to "get the lay of the land without trying to get all the discovery [Oracle] would possibly need in order to have a contempt hearing, just, you know, do some

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1 scouting.” Apr. 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 56:9–15 (emphasis added); see also id. at 39:13–14 (“THE
2 COURT: ... I would like to ... try and do this at least in some stages.”). Then Oracle may file a
3 motion requesting leave to proceed with specific additional discovery. Id. at 61:4–6 (“THE
4 COURT: ... you can do some discovery, and if you need something else, just file a motion.”); id.
5 at 39:15–17 (“THE COURT: ... If actually you do this first discovery and you find something
6 that you think deserves to go deeper, then we can talk about it.”).

7 Following this guidance, and in light of the particular posture of this case, Rimini
8 respectfully submits that rather than entering an order that permits Oracle to serve a set number of
9 discovery requests, without specifying what information those requests will seek, the Court
10 should set a schedule that takes into account Oracle’s claim to need some “narrowly tailored,”
11 “target[ed]” discovery into Rimini’s processes after November 5, 2018 (id. at 21:6–11), to test
12 Rimini’s compliance with the injunction, while reserving more burdensome discovery until
13 Oracle can make a showing that the additional discovery is warranted. Rimini proposes that the
14 parties pursue the following phased discovery approach.

15 **Phase I: Limited “Scouting” Discovery Regarding Rimini’s Post-Injunction**
16 **Changes to Processes**

17 In the first phase, Rimini would respond to the following preliminary discovery regarding
18 post injunction conduct:

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- 20 • A request for production of non-privileged documents sufficient to show the
21 changes to Rimini’s support processes for PeopleSoft and JD Edwards made in
22 response to the injunction;
 - 23 • A request for production of non-privileged policies or memoranda that Rimini
24 created in response to the injunction regarding Rimini’s support practices for
25 PeopleSoft and JD Edwards;
 - 26 • A request for production of AFW records stored in the AFW database that reflect
27 what “has changed after the date of the injunction” (id. at 42:18–19), to the extent
28 it is technically feasible to do so, which Rimini is investigating (and if it is not,

- 1 Rimini will meet and confer with Oracle to develop a reasonable solution);
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3 • An interrogatory seeking a list of updates to PeopleSoft and JD Edwards software
4 that Rimini developed after November 5, 2018, identifying the updates, the related
5 product lines, and the clients to which Rimini distributed the updates; and
6 • An interrogatory seeking a list of Rimini's clients that, for the period after
7 November 5, 2018, have chosen to host their Oracle software in the cloud, to the
8 extent Rimini is able to obtain this information from Remote Access Documents or
9 Statements of Work for its clients.

10 In Phase 1, after production of documents and information responsive to the above
11 requests, Rimini would make a deponent available for a half-day Rule 30(b)(6) deposition
12 concerning any changes Rimini made to its PeopleSoft support processes in response to the
13 injunction.

14 Consistent with the Court's ruling at the April 4 hearing, Rimini does not believe that
15 interrogatories are warranted at this time, except for the two interrogatories listed above. See id.
16 53:7–11 ("THE COURT: ... We'll hold off on the interrogatories."). Likewise, consistent with
17 the Court's guidance, Rimini believes that permitting Oracle access to Rimini's online resources,
18 such as DevTrack, is premature, and should be addressed during a later phase of discovery (if
19 necessary). See id. at 44:3–4 (the Court, referring to Rimini's online resources: "We can do that
20 during the second part.").

21 At the conclusion of Phase 1, if Oracle believes it can make a showing that further
22 discovery is necessary into specific conduct that it identifies as having been adjudicated in Rimini
23 I and is allegedly contumacious, Oracle should file a motion for further discovery. See id. at
24 61:4–6 ("THE COURT: ... you can do some discovery, and if you need something else, just file a
25 motion."); id. at 39:15–17 ("THE COURT: ... If actually you do this first discovery and you find
26 something that you think deserves to go deeper, then we can talk about it."). Rimini proposes
27 that after completion of briefing on Oracle's motion for further discovery, the Court hold a
28 hearing to determine whether there is good cause for more extensive discovery targeted to

1 Oracle's specific accusations, and, if so, to set a schedule for this discovery and any necessary
2 motion practice.

3 **Phase 2: Further Targeted Discovery (Good Cause Showing)**

4 Following Phase 1, Oracle should identify the specific conduct it alleges is contumacious
5 (if any), and the Court should hold a hearing on Oracle's motion for further discovery to decide
6 whether additional discovery is warranted and, if so, to determine an appropriate discovery
7 schedule. If the Court determines that Oracle has shown good cause to conduct further discovery,
8 the parties can then proceed to Phase 2 and engage in more extensive discovery targeted to
9 Oracle's specific allegations. Today, without knowing what specific conduct Oracle contends (or
10 will contend) is contumacious, or whether the discovery Rimini will provide in Phase 1 will
11 suffice to provide Oracle with the information it needs to test Rimini's compliance with the
12 injunction, Rimini is unable to provide a more detailed schedule.

13 As the Court understood at the April 4 hearing, phased discovery is the most efficient way
14 for the parties to proceed. It orients discovery around potentially dispositive issues and avoids
15 unnecessary (and disproportionate) expenditure of resources in the event Oracle is unable to
16 proffer a showing of contumacious conduct. Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(a)(2)(A) advisory committee's
17 note ("[C]ounsel have a professional obligation to develop a mutual cost-effective plan for
18 discovery"); Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) advisory committee's note ("[I]t is desirable that the
19 parties' proposals regarding discovery ... discuss how discovery can be conducted most
20 efficiently and economically.").

21 Rimini's approach is also fairer to the parties. Without knowing what conduct Oracle
22 contends is contumacious, Rimini is unable to pursue its own discovery to rebut those claims,
23 including preparing expert witnesses. In this phased approach, Rimini's own discovery (if
24 necessary) would come in Phase 2, after Oracle has articulated its accusations.

25 Oracle's approach—which does not involve phasing—is inefficient and burdensome. The
26 discovery Oracle proposes herein, which simply lists the numbers of discovery requests,
27 depositions, and subpoenas that Oracle seeks to serve, is not "limited" or "narrowly tailored" in
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any meaningful way. It is on par with allowing plaintiff discovery before the complaint is even filed, precluding the defendant from having a fair and reasonable understanding of the claims alleged against it. It also provides no procedure for informing Rimini of the processes (adjudicated in *Rimini I*) that Oracle contends are contumacious.

Further, Oracle's proposed expert discovery is inefficient and unworkable. Expert discovery is not necessary (or even appropriate) until after Oracle specifically accuses the conduct that is alleged to be contumacious. In addition, even if expert discovery were warranted at this time, Oracle's proposal is unworkable because it envisions the *simultaneous* exchange of expert reports *before Oracle specifically accuses any conduct*, without any opportunity for Rimini to serve a rebuttal expert report. It would be impossible for Rimini to file an expert report simultaneous with Oracle's expert report because Rimini would not know what issues to address, or even what expert to retain. Moreover, expert discovery on Oracle's schedule is impractically compressed. Oracle allows just 3 weeks for expert reports and depositions under its schedule, but expert discovery in *Rimini II*, for example, took over 6 months.

Finally, Oracle's proposal includes twelve interrogatories, in contravention of the Court's ruling that the parties should refrain from serving interrogatories (with the exception of one related to a list of Rimini's updates) at this time. *See id.* 53:7–11 ("THE COURT: ... We'll hold off on the interrogatories.").

Rimini's Proposed Discovery Schedule

Type of Discovery Event	Oracle Proposal	Rimini Proposal	Date
Phase 1 Discovery begins	Upon Court's adoption of a discovery plan and issuance of a scheduling order		
Deadline for Oracle to serve first round of written discovery three document requests and two interrogatories (described <i>supra</i>)	May 6, 2019	30 days after Court's adoption of a discovery plan and issuance of a scheduling order	
Deadline to complete production of documents in response to first round of document requests	June 24, 2019	60 days after service of written discovery	
Deadline to serve final written discovery Close of Phase 1 Discovery	July 8, 2019	45 days after production of document responses to interrogatories	
Close Deadline for Oracle to file	August 27, 2019	15 days after close of Phase 1 Discovery	

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Type of Discovery Event	Oracle Proposal	Rimini Proposal	Date
<u>Motion for Further Discovery, specifically identifying the acts it accuses of fact discovery being contumacious, if any</u>			
<u>Expert disclosures Hearing on Oracle's Motion for Further Discovery (if Motion granted, schedule provided for Phase 2 Discovery)</u>	September 4, 2019	A date acceptable to the Court in approximately late September or early October 2019	
Close of expert discovery <u>Phase 2 Discovery</u>	September 18, 2019	To be set at Hearing on Oracle's Motion for Further Discovery (if Motion granted)	
<u>Deadline to file motion Motion for order to show cause / contempt motion Show Cause / Contempt Motion (if any)</u>	September 30, 2019	To be set after close of Phase 2 Discovery	

IV. OTHER DISCOVERY ISSUES

A. Oracle's Statement

To enable the Parties to complete discovery in a timely fashion and permit the Court to efficiently resolve disputes on an ongoing basis, ~~the Parties also agree and jointly request~~ Oracle proposes that:

- (1) the response time for written discovery requests is 21 days;
- (2) the Court schedule periodic case management conferences at least every month to address any outstanding discovery disputes, with a joint submission in advance identifying any issues in dispute, similar to what Magistrate Judge Leen required in connection with the prior discovery efforts (ECF No. 93);
- (3) the Court permit the parties to jointly submit brief memoranda summarizing any disputes prior to filing a motion to compel, to enable the Court to consider the positions and provide feedback before proceeding with full briefing, similar to what Magistrate Judge Hoffman required in the *Rimini II* litigation (*Rimini II*, ECF No. 372); and
- (4) Oracle be permitted to file more than one order to show cause in the event Oracle raises multiple issues and some issues become ripe for briefing earlier than others based on any stipulated facts or early discovery.

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2 1. ~~A.~~ Oracle's Statement

3 ~~[To be added by Oracle after Rimini includes its proposal above]~~

4 ~~B.~~ Rimini's Statement

5 ~~[To be added by Rimini]~~ ~~IV. STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DEVIATION~~

6 ~~FROM~~ of Reasons For Deviation From LR 26-1(b)

7 Local Rule 26-1(a) provides that parties submit a statement of reasons why longer or
8 different time periods should apply to the case if proposing any deviations from Local Rule
9 26-1(b). ~~The Parties~~ Oracle's proposal, set out in Section II and Section III, differs from the
10 schedule outlined in Local Rule 26-1(b) because this discovery is post-trial discovery in support
11 of the Court's permanent injunction, ECF No. 1166.

12 B. Rimini's Statement

13 Oracle's proposals to modify the Federal and Local Rules related to discovery is
14 unwarranted. Rimini responds to each proposal in detail below.

15 First, Oracle's request for a 21-day response period for discovery is unworkable. The
16 Federal Rules grant 30 days for good reason, and parties are often required to seek extensions,
17 even in less complicated cases. See generally Rule 33 Notes of Advisory Committee on Rules –
18 1970 Amendment (explaining that it was necessary to extend the time to respond to 30 days for
19 interrogatories because the then-current deadline of 15 days for answers was "too short" and data
20 showed that "tardy response to interrogatories is common, virtually expected"). Here, in a highly
21 technical case that involves complex technical discovery, a 21-day deadline will almost certainly
22 lead to regular requests for extensions. The discovery history in Rimini II only underscores this
23 point—in that case, both sides routinely sought extensions for answering written discovery due to
24 the complexity of the underlying subject matter. Oracle apparently now intends to seek in Rimini
25 I technical discovery on the same issues and processes discovered in Rimini II. As a result, a
26 21-day deadline is untenable.

27 Second, Rimini believes that burdening the Court and the parties with monthly status
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1 conferences is unnecessary in this case. The parties went through a significant portion of *Rimini*
2 *II*—which involved 3 years of discovery, over a thousand written discovery requests, and more
3 than 100 depositions—without regular conferences. Given that *Rimini I* will involve significantly
4 narrower discovery, the parties should be able to adhere to the standard process for resolving
5 disputes as they did in *Rimini II*. Moreover, Rimini’s proposed discovery plan builds in hearings
6 at the close of Phase 1 Discovery, and (if necessary) Phase 2 Discovery.

7 **Third**, there is no cause for altering the Local Rules to require the filing of letter briefs
8 before the parties can file motions for protective orders or to compel. While that process was
9 eventually implemented in *Rimini II*, as noted, that case involved a much broader scope of
10 discovery than is envisioned here. Here, all the Court has ordered is “limited” discovery for the
11 purpose of “scouting.” April 4, 2019 Hrg. Tr. at 56:9–15. The process established by the Local
12 Rules is adequate for handling any disputes that may arise during this targeted discovery.

13 **Fourth**, Oracle should not be permitted to bring serial motions for contempt. This Court
14 has already ordered that this Joint Discovery Plan should include a deadline for “a contempt
15 motion,” not multiple motions. *Id.* at 60:17–18. Nor is there any reason that Oracle cannot
16 include all its allegations in a single motion. Oracle’s apparent concern that it may have some
17 evidence early on, and additional evidence later, is all the more reason for the Court to enforce
18 the phased approach discussed during the hearing and proposed by Rimini. Oracle should take
19 the initial, “scouting” discovery ordered by this Court first and determine what conduct by Rimini
20 (if any) it believes is contumacious. Then, assuming the Court grants further discovery on those
21 issues, Oracle can take the discovery it needs, and bring a single motion for contempt when that
22 discovery is complete. This is an efficient way of structuring the contempt process that both
23 respects the Court’s time and conserves resources for all parties.

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UNITED STATE DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

ORACLE USA, INC.; a Colorado corporation;
ORACLE AMERICA, INC.; a Delaware
corporation; and ORACLE INTERNATIONAL
CORPORATION, a California corporation,

Plaintiffs,

v.

RIMINI STREET, INC., a Nevada corporation;
and SETH RAVIN, an individual,

Defendants.

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**[PROPOSED] SCHEDULING
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COMPLIANCE**

[PROPOSED] ORDER

Pending before this Court is the Stipulated Discovery Plan and Proposed Scheduling Order submitted by Plaintiffs Oracle America, Inc. and Oracle International Corp. (collectively, “Oracle”) and Defendants Rimini Street, Inc. and Seth Ravin.

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Hon. Cam Ferenbach
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